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open so that said flat cable is inserted into said open mouth and a closed position at which said insertion space is closed and said flat cable is pushed toward said contact section by said pressure member; and

at least one support member held in said housing and having a bearing section which is able to support said pressure member such that said pressure member is freely displaced, wherein an upper edge of said bearing section is positioned higher than an inner surface of an upper wall of said housing.

2.9. An electrical connector for a flat cable, comprising:

A substantially box-shaped housing having an open mouth to receive said flat cable and at least one receiving slot;

at least one terminal inserted into said receiving slot from a side of said housing and arranged in said housing, said terminal having a contact section at a position facing to said open mouth;

a pressure member positioned at an opposite side of said contact section with respect to said flat cable arranged on said contact section, and freely rotatable around a rotation axis between an open position at which an insertion space is open so that said flat cable can be inserted into said open mouth and a closed position at which said insertion space is closed and said flat cable is pushed toward said contact section by said pressure member; and

at least one support member held in said housing and having a bearing section which is able to support said pressure member such that said pressure member is freely rotated, wherein when said pressure member is at said open

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position, an upper edge of said bearing section is positioned higher than an inner surface of an upper wall of said housing<sup>5.</sup>

<sup>10.</sup> An electrical connector for a flat cable, comprising:

a substantially box-shaped housing having an open mouth to receive said flat cable and at least one receiving slot;

at least one terminal inserted into said receiving slot from a side of said housing and arranged in said housing, said terminal including a lower arm having a contact section at a position facing to said open mouth and an upper arm extending along said lower arm and having an upper edge positioned above an inner surface of an upper wall of said housing; and

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a pressure member supported by said upper arm, positioned at an opposite side of said contact section with respect to said flat cable arranged on said contact section, and freely rotatable around a rotation axis between an open position at which an insertion space is open so that said flat cable can be inserted into said open mouth and a closed position at which said insertion space is closed and said flat cable is pushed toward said contact section by said pressure member.

<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup> <sup>3</sup> <sup>4</sup> 11. The electrical connector according to claim 8 or 9, wherein said pressing member has a slit to receive said supporting member such that when said pressure member is at said open position, said pressure member stays in the vicinity of said upper wall of said housing.

<sup>5</sup> <sup>6</sup> 12. The electrical connector according to claim 10, wherein said pressing member has a slit to receive said upper arm such that when said pressure member is at said

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open position, said pressure member stays in the vicinity of said upper wall of said housing.

<sup>1</sup><sub>13</sub> 13. The electrical connector according to one of claims 8-10, wherein said housing has a lower wall which covers a substantially whole area of a lower surface of said housing so that said housing can be placed on a circuit board to attach said electrical connector to said circuit board.

<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub> <sup>4</sup><sub>14</sub> 14. The electrical connector according to claim 8 or 9, wherein said terminal includes a lower arm extending along said a lower wall of said housing and having said contact section, and an upper arm extending along said upper wall of said housing and having said bearing section, at least one of said lower and upper arms being so flexible that said lower and upper arms can be inserted into said receiving slot and attached to an inner surface of said lower wall and said inner surface of said upper wall, respectively.

<sup>5</sup><sub>10</sub> <sup>8</sup><sub>14</sub> 15. The electrical connector according to claim 10 or 14, wherein said lower arm has a lower edge slanted upwardly to end thereof.

<sup>5</sup><sub>10</sub> <sup>9</sup><sub>14</sub> 16. The electrical connector according to claim 10 or 14, wherein said contact section of said lower arm is more flexible than said bearing section of said upper arm.

<sup>5</sup><sub>10</sub> <sup>10</sup><sub>14</sub> 17. The electrical connector according to claim 10 or 14, wherein said bearing section has a concave curve.--

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